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## **Situation Report**

## Severe Storms

April 19, 2006 9 a.m.

#### **CURRENT UPDATES IN BOLD-FACE TYPE**

PLEASE NOTE—Individuals needing assistance should first contact the FEMA Help Line to Register – 1-800-621-FEMA (3362). The line is staffed from 8am-6pm, 7 days/week.

#### Situation:

State and Federal officials continue to assist persons affected by two storm-related disasters with recovery efforts. A total of 41 counties have been designated for some form of federal assistance under various programs administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Individual Assistance (IA) programs are now available for the disaster declared by President Bush on March 16<sup>th</sup> for storms of March 11-13 in a total of 37 counties (Bates, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Christian, Cooper, Crawford, Greene, Henry, Hickory, Howard, Iron, Jefferson, Johnson, Lawrence, Lincoln, Mississippi, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, New Madrid, Newton, Perry, Pettis, Phelps, Putnam, Randolph, St Clair, Ste Genevieve, Scott, Saline, Taney, Vernon, Webster, Wright). IA programs provide assistance for individuals and business-owners who suffered losses because of the disaster. Affected persons should call the FEMA registration line at 800-621-FEMA to apply, or visit the FEMA website at www.fema.gov.

For the disaster declared by President Bush on April 5<sup>th</sup> for storms of March 30-April 2, IA programs are now available in seven counties. (Andrew, Butler, Dunklin, Pemiscot, Pettis, St. François, and Stoddard).

All categories of Public Assistance (PA) are now available for the storms of March 11-13 in 26 counties (Bates, Bollinger, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Cedar, Christian, Davies, Greene, Henry, Hickory, Howard, Iron, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, Pettis, Putnam, Randolph, Ray, Saline, St. Clair, Washington, Webster, Wright). Public Assistance is made available to state and local governments, as well as qualifying private non-profit organizations, to help offset costs incurred while responding to the disaster and to help offset costs of eligible recovery projects.

Categories A & B (Debris Removal and Emergency Protective Measures) of Public Assistance is available for the storms of March 11-13 in one county (Jefferson).

Categories A & B of Public Assistance is available for the storms of March 30-April 2 in two counties (Andrew, and Pettis). Pemiscot is now eligible in all categories of Public Assistance (PA) effective April 17, 2006

The initial round of PA Applicant briefings were completed on Saturday, April 15, 2006. Applicant Briefings allow representatives from local governments and qualifying non-profit organizations an opportunity to learn about the PA program and gain a better understanding on costs and work that could potentially be eligible for Federal assistance. Additional briefings are being scheduled.

The Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has surveyed the location for temporary trailers in Caruthersville sites for housing the survivors of this disaster. They are working with local City officials who are currently reviewing plans and signing off on them to move the temporary trailer sites forward. Preparations will continue on site(s) this week.

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The Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives reported that four cooperatives had approximately \$525, 000 dollars of damages from the April 2, 2006 storms.

Fatalities/Injuries:

Storm	Fatalities	Injuries	Notes
March 11-13	11	121	
March 30-April 2	3	26	
State Total	14	147	

Damages to Homes

Storm	Destroyed	Damaged	Affected	Notes
March 11-13	399	2837	750	
March 30-April 2	247	838	384	
State Total	646	3675	1134	

Four Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) remain open in the affected areas. The DRCs offer affected persons a facility where they can get information on a wide variety of state and federal disaster relief programs. DRCs are open from 9am-7pm, Mon-Sat; and 12pm-6pm on Sunday, except where noted below. DRCs are operating at the following locations:

- Boone County: 607 East Ash, Columbia, Missouri
- Pemiscot County: American Legion Hall #88, 716 Truman Boulevard, Caruthersville CLOSED SUNDAY
- Pettis County: MO State Fairgrounds, 2001 Clarendon, Sedalia, CLOSED SUNDAY.
- Wright County: Senior Citizen Center, 2299 Hwy M, Grovespring. This DRC will be closing on April 22,2006
- Iron County: 250 South Main St., Ironton, Missouri, will open this morning at 9:00 a.m.

Staff at the DRCs have assisted 1562 people in the following locations as of close of business of the date listed:

DATE	Paris	Sedalia	Nixa	Perryville	Unionville	Monroe	Hermitage	Newton	Cedar	Wright	Boone	Pemiscot
						City			Co.	Co.	Co.	Co.
March 19-31	84	180	121	30	-	-	-	-	1	-	ı	-
April 1- 15	6	124	20	9	79	67	42	14	45	13	-	576
April 17	-	8	-	-	-	-	2	-	3	3	•	57
April 18	ı	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	•	0	2	66
Total	90	319	141	39	79	67	44	14	48	16	2	699

#### State Actions:

- □ The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) continues at a limited Level I activation. SEMA along with FEMA, EPA, Caruthersville City and Pemiscot County are working to re-open a landfill in Pemiscot County for disposal of storm debris.
- ☐ Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP) has recalled the additional officers that were assisting in maintaining law and order in Pemiscot County after a quiet weekend. MSHP Troop E is closely monitoring the situation and will dispatch additional resources, if needed.
- □ National Guard forces will be released from State Emergency Duty at Noon today.
- Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) received a request through SEMA from the Mayor of Caruthersville to help the City with health and safety hazard assessments caused by the large volume of debris on private property within the disaster affected areas of the City. SEMA is assisting DHSS and the City in coordinating these efforts.
- □ Department of Labor and Industrial Relations has started issuing Disaster Unemployment Assistance payments for the March 11-13, 2006, disaster. People who are eligible should call 1-800-788-4002. Claimants that work or live in the remaining 27 counties, the deadline for claims is April 25, 2006 (
- □ DNR is advising local units of government on proper disposal of disaster generated debris.
- ☐ The Department of Social Services (DSS) is coordinating water and mass care issues. DSS is coordinating with the major mass care partner agencies (Red Cross, Southern Baptist and Salvation Army).

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□ Effective March 24, 2006, farmers in 82 counties are eligible for Farm Service Agency (FSA) emergency loan assistance due to the severe storms and flooding which occurred March 11, 2006 through March 13, 2006: The counties are: Bates, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Cooper, Greene, Henry, Howard, Iron, Jefferson, Lawrence, Lincoln, Mississippi, Montgomery, Morgan, New Madrid, Newton, Phelps, Putnam, Scott, St. Clair, Taney, Vernon, Webster, Wright, Adair, Audrain, Barry, Barton, Caldwell, Callaway, Camden, Cape Girardeau, Chariton, Christian, Cole, Crawford, Dade, Dallas, Dent, Douglas, Dunklin, Franklin, Gasconade, Hickory, Jackson, Jasper, Johnson, Laclede, Lafayette, Livingston, Madison, Maries, McDonald, Mercer, Miller, Moniteau, Osage, Ozark, Pemiscot, Pettis, Pike, Polk, Pulaski, Randolph, Ray, Reynolds, Saline, Schuyler, St. Charles, St. Francois, St. Louis, Ste. Genevieve, Stoddard, Stone, Sullivan, Texas, Warren, Washington and Wayne.

### Other State Agency and Volunteer Agency Actions:

- The American Red Cross has ceased the shelter/service center at the Community Center in Caruthersville. They served a total of 205 individuals at the shelter. Red Cross has 680 open cases that are being actively worked by volunteers. They, along with the other Volunteer agencies, are continuing to operate out of the Old City Library at 10<sup>th</sup> and Ward. They are assisting with cleaning supplies, food, water and other needs.
- Multi-Agency Resource Center (MARC) Eastwood Memorial UMC, Caruthersville
  - AmeriCorps to date, 232 requests for assistance with debris removal, tarping or minor home repairs,
    90% or more in the City of Caruthersville
  - AmeriCorps two 5 person debris removal teams working in Braggadocio on private property, and two
    5 person teams now working on private property in Caruthersville
  - Missouri United Methodist Disaster Response Team (MUMDRT) is on scene with heavy equipment debris removal teams in Caruthersville and helping compile volunteer hours in Braggadocio (for FEMA reports).
  - Southern Baptist Convention on scene with heavy equipment and chainsaw teams.
- Point of Distribution (POD) Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Caruthersville
  - Goods most in need are tarps, personal care items, feminine hygiene products, baby formula, diapers, etc.
  - O Hours of operation today: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., hours Sunday 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
  - o The Salvation Army supporting this operation with volunteers and technical assistance
- Salvation Army will continue mass feeding operations through Wednesday, April 19.

AmeriCorps continues to work with volunteers staffing the Missouri Tornado Hotline (866-254-0140). The hotline is open from **9am to 5pm, Monday-Friday** to process offers of donated goods, time or money, as well as requests for assistance. More than 300 calls have been taken since March 13, 2006, in the following categories:

DATE	REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE	DONATION OFFERS	VOLUNTEER OFFERS	OTHER (hang-up, etc)
April 17	0	0	0	0
Total Calls	181	77	44	16

#### **Point of Contact:**

SEMA Duty Officer after hours (Starting at 4:30 pm) number is 573-751-2748. During normal duty hours calls should be made to 573-526-9100.

This Situation Report and other storm-related information may be viewed at the following web address: <a href="http://sema.dps.mo.gov/SevereStormsApril2006.htm">http://sema.dps.mo.gov/SevereStormsApril2006.htm</a>